

## CORRESPONDENCE

### WOMEN'S HOUSING CONFERENCE

*To the Editor of BLACKFRIARS*

SIR,—My attention has been drawn to an article on "The Elements of Social Justice" in the November number of BLACKFRIARS, in which the statement is made that "starting with a sub-committee of the Catholic Social Guild, a programme of Housing plans was circulated among various Utility Societies, with the result that a National Council is to be formed under the presidency of the Chairman of the original C.S.G. Committee."

This statement is incorrect. A sub-committee of the C.S.G.—the C.S.G. Housing Enquiry—was formed some time ago. It sent out a Housing questionnaire which was not sufficiently supported to be of practical use, and the Committee languished. The Chairman, Lady Sanderson, then called a Women's Conference of societies interested in Housing, to urge the necessity of a Women's sub-committee to the Central Advisory Committee under the new Housing Act. This idea was widely accepted; delegates from Public Utility Societies, the National Council of Women, the Federation of Women's Institutes, the Women's Committee of the Royal Institute of British Architecture, Women Housing Estate Managers, Women Public Health Officers and many others have attended the Conferences and given cogent reasons for their co-operation. As a result of the Conferences it is hoped that the Minister of Health may consent to receive a deputation.

It may fairly be claimed on behalf of the C.S.G. that the inception of the Women's Housing Conference is due to the initiative of the Chairman of its Housing Enquiry, and that she and the other officers of that enquiry have acted as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Hon. Secretary of the Women's Housing Conference. The statement that a National Council is to be formed is quite inaccurate.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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*Hon. Secretary W.H.C.*